

Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1887.

HOME NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF PASSENGER TRAINS.

TRAINING PASS SAN MARCOS AS FOLLOWS:

I. & G. N. MAIL.

Going South: 11:55 A. M. and 8:50 P. M.

Going North: 9:12 A. M. and 8:10 P. M.

T. B. & H.

Arrives: 8:50 a.m. Leaves: 8:55 p.m.

.....8:00 p.m.12:05 p.m.

Two Copies for \$3.50.

Inasmuch as many persons desire to send

copies abroad, and by way of encourage-

ment so to do, we offer two copies of the

Free Press at \$3.50—cash in advance.

Persons not subscribers who may at

(any time receive copies of the Free

Press, will please understand that they

are sent simply as samples, in the hope

that the parties addressed may like it

well enough to favor us with their subscrip-

tions.

Geo. W. Knight, Jeweler, east side the

Plaza, San Marcos.

The World Renowned Estey Organ.

On easy terms. CHASTAIN & KNIGHT.

At Thos. Taylor's you will find a full line

of choice family groceries as cheap as they

can be sold elsewhere. Call and see.

Good Board and comfortable rooms by

Mrs. J. H. Gray, 309 Soledad street, San

Antonio, Texas.

For Sale.

Near San Marcos, 50 acres of land, about

10 in grass and balance in cultivation. En-

quire at this office.

Ticket No. 53 in the music box drawing

of J. A. Beall drew the prize. The lucky

person will please report his or her name

to headquarters.

For Sale.

A splendid saddle horse, well broken to

single or double harness. Enquire at Mr.

Bales stable, San Marcos.

Mrs. Watson, the milliner, wishes to state

that she has the right for this county to

sell Taylor's System of Dress-cutting, the

best known. Call and see her.

For Rent

with or without board, several handsomely

furnished rooms. A healthy, slightly loca-

tion. Inquire at this office.

Millinery—Mrs. Richardson

Will now close out her handsome stock of

Millinery at greatly reduced prices. Excep-

tional bargains in trimmings, hats, etc. Felt

hats 50 cents and \$1.00—of finest quality.

Johnson Grass.

Just received a large lot of Johnson Grass

Seed which I am offering at lowest prices.

ARTHUR MAXX Austin Texas.

Notice.

There will be a meeting of the stock-

holders of the Glover National Bank at the

banking house on the second Tuesday of

January next for the purpose of electing

Directors for the ensuing year.

THOS. H. GLOVER, Cashier.

Stock Pasture on

I can take stock to pasture on my ranch

in Guadalupe county. Finest mesquite

grass and plenty of water. Special rates

given on large herds for the winter. Apply

to R. L. RAGSDALE.

San Marcos, Nov. 3-3m.

WAX DOLLS

AT COST

FOR THIRTY DAYS,

AT THE BOOKSTORE.

P. T. Barnum Writes a Story.

The opening chapters of a splendid story

for the young, by the famous showman, P.

T. Barnum, appears this week in the col-

umns of the New York Family Story Paper.

The story describes the adventures of an

American boy, whom Mr. Barnum calls

"My Plucky Boy Tom," and whom he sent

to India in search of wild, fierce and rare

animals to replace those destroyed by the

disastrous fire at Bridgeport last month.

The reader is thrilled by the hair-breadth

Our Special Clubbing and Premium Lists.

We sum up together some of our best

propositions, all of which are only applica-

ble to new subscribers, or such old ones as

pay up back dues and in advance for an-

other year.

1. We club the Weekly Fort Worth Ga-

zette and the Free Press both at \$2.80.

2. The New York Weekly World and

Free Press, with a book premium, all for

\$2.90. See full particulars in our advertis-

ing columns.

3. The Weekly National Republican,

Washington, D. C., and the Free Press

both for \$2.40. The Washington paper

will give the proceedings of Congress and

other matters of interest about the National

capital.

4. Demorest's Magazine and the Free

Press at \$3.50 for both. Demorest is the

ladies favorite, and withal is a strong advo-

cate of temperance. See advertisement.

5. Wonderfully liberal Book premiums to

subscribers to the Free Press. See adver-

tisement headed "Standard and Popular

Works."

See also our regular Clubbing List for

1888. Make your selection from it, or of

any other publication not included in it,

and report to this office, where you can se-

lect the lowest rates in connection with the

Free Press.

Another Wonderful Clubbing Offer.

We are authorized to offer the Rand-Mo-

nally "Standard Atlas of the World," con-

taining large scale maps of every country

and civil division on the face of the globe,

beautifully illustrated with engravings,

colored diagrams, etc., with a large amount

of interesting historical, statistical and gen-

eral information, with the Free Press both

for only \$3.25. The regular price of the

Atlas alone is \$4.50. See advertisement

below. Sample copy of the Atlas may be

seen at this office.

The above extraordinary offer, of course

applies only to new subscribers, or to old

ones paying up past dues and another year

in advance.

See prospectus of the Eclectic Magazine.

HERE WE ARE! You didn't expect us

holiday week, did you?

See advertisement of the Johnson Revolv-

ing Book Case in another column, alto-

gether the best thing of the kind.

There are now fully \$500 due on sub-

scription to the Free Press. We are de-

pendent upon this to square up our own old

accounts and "keep things moving." We

will send out clear statements to all who

owe with our next issue.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the M. E.

Church next Tuesday Jan. 3, at 3 p. m. All

the members are requested to be present,

and an invitation is extended to all who de-

sire to come. Mrs. R. T. BARNER, Pres.

Mrs. T. M. COLE, Sec.

Married

Near Rockdale, Williamson County,

Dec. 27, 1887, Mr. W. C. JOHNSON to Miss

ANNIE BELL DEAN, formerly a student of

Coronal Institute, and well known among

the young people here. The match seems

to have been one of nature's own choosing.

The Free Press extends congratulations.

Alliance Notice.

The Hays Co. F. A. will assemble at Buda

on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1888 for its regular

quarterly meeting. As there is business of

importance to be brought forward every

alliance is particularly requested to send its

full quota of representation.

W. GARNETT, Sect.

Attention Alliance Men.

A lecture on the Alliance trade system,

and the Alliance Exchange, with the future

business and other prospects of the alliance

movement will be delivered to the members

of the order. At Buda, Tuesday Jan. 3,

1888, Kyle, Wednesday Jan. 4; Wimberly,

Thursday Jan. 5; Dripping Springs, Friday

Jan. 6. W. GARNETT, Sect.

The old Phenological Journal rounds up

volume 85, old series, in the vigorous style

Holiday Notes.

The bad weather ended on the 23d and

the four days following were all that could

be desired.

Christmas was commemorated by Christ-

mas trees at the Methodist and Baptist

churches.

Christmas being on Sunday, the services

at the several churches were of more than

ordinary interest.

BYRON SMITH'S DAY.

Tuesday afternoon was set apart for the

parade of the merry masquers at the call of

the "Grand Mogul," Byron Smith. It was

a good thing and highly enjoyed by our

home population, which turned out en

masse, also a number of visitors from

abroad. We cannot undertake to describe

the various "floats" representing the "busi-

ness" of the town, grotesque faces and

figures, "wild injins" and donkey brigade.

To be appreciated it must have been seen.

PACHELON'S SUPPER.

Tuesday night the scanty remnant of

the O. B. Club had their anniversary supper

at Hofheinz new hotel, the first entertain-

ment in that fine edifice. We have no re-

port, but of course it was a sadly enjoyable

occasion to this forlorn and stricken band.

An incident of this occasion was a serenade

to the club offered by a back-full of charm-

ing ladies in front of the hotel, whom the

reprobate crew within, we learn, did not

condescend to recognize in any way whatever.

Conduct so infamous was, no doubt, find

its proper reward in the deprivation of all

attention from the ladies during the coming

year.

The above are some of the principal points

in the holiday festivities, which all passed

off in the most enjoyable manner.

Fire at Kyle.

A special to the Statesman of the 26th

says:

A fire was discovered in the Howard Oil

company building last night, which was

stored with something over one hundred

tons of kerosene, belonging to Landa Bros., of

San Antonio. Owing to the fire of the build-

ing being at church, the first was under

good headway before it was discovered,

and when the fire reached there, nothing

could be done to save the property. The

loss on hand is about one thousand dollars,

and about as much more on the house-

hold insured. The side-track that ran

alongside of the building was full of stock

cars, and it was by hard work that they

were saved.

Marriage.

As I have seen nothing in your paper for

some time from our busy little village,

thought I would write and give you a few

items.

Christmas is upon us with all its attend-

ant gayeties and pleasures. Nature seemed

to have known and appreciated the desire

of our young folks, as she ceased the

blighting winds, drew aside her sombre

curtains, and gave the lovely sunshine, in

time for them all to have a happy holiday.

And those of more mature years feel to

remember the fact that Christ brought

"peace on earth and good will to men,"

and would realize that what ever lies be-

fore, the glory of God's love will light up

the troubles, and brighten the joys, of

life.

Rev. Mr. Denton preached at the M. E.

church on Sunday to an appreciative audi-

ence. Four newly married couples were

out, looking as happy as though life was

all sunshine.

Mrs. Anderson (formerly Mrs. Jennings)

is spending the holidays with her father's

family. Last night her young friends were

invited to spend the evening with her, and

they report an old-time sociable.

Mr. Abbott Reed arrived at home a few

days since from Mississippi. He brought

with him a charming bride. Maj. and Mrs.

Reed gave them a dinner on Christmas

day, and will give a party to-night.

Miss Lou Baber our popular music

PERSONAL.

J. W. Earnest is at home again.

Mrs. Terry Killough is visiting at this

place.

P. G. Garrison made our town a hasty

visit last week.

We had a pleasant call on Tuesday from

Z. T. Wimberly, of Wimberly.

L. W. Anderson, of Staples Store made us

a pleasant call last week.

Milton Chastain, who now resides we be-

lieve in Kansas, is visiting relatives at this

place.

Don Price of Blanco, spent Christmas at

this place. He is a representative of "the

art preserver."

Miss Ruby Fourqurean is attending the

San Houston Normal Institute at Hunts-

ville.

Dr. Richardson and Miss Jordan, a niece

of Mr. Fourqurean, reached this place "on

time" last week.